GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Water Resources Department - Ground Water & Water Audit Department – Constitution of State Level Committee for Ground Water Assessment and Management (SLCGWAM) by merging existing State Ground water Coordination Committee (SGWCC) and the State Level Committee (SLC) for better coordination for State of Andhra Pradesh – Orders - Issued.

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WATER RESOURCES (WRG-GRC) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 55 Dated: 14-11-2024

Read the following:-

1) G.O.Ms.No.64 of I&CAD(WRG-GRC) Department, dt:13.11.2014.
2) G.O.Ms.No.22 of Water Resources (WRG-GRC) Department, dated:01.03.2023.
3) From Sri Satish Kumar, the Member, CGWB, Dept of WR, RD & GR, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Govt. of India, Faridabad, dated:27.06.2024.
4) From the Director, Ground Water and Water Audit Department, Vijayawada, Lr.No.1216/Hg-I/2024, dated:26.07.2024.

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ORDER:

In the G.O. 1st read above, orders were issued duly constituting State Ground Water Coordination Committee (SGWCC) with Secretary to Government, Water Resources Department as a Chairman along with 23 other Members for implementation of National Aquifer Mapping and Management (NAQUIM) in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

2. In the G.O. 2nd read above, orders were issued duly constituting permanent State Level Committee (SLC) with the Principal Secretary to Government, Water Resources Department as Chairman and 21 others as members for Ground Water Resources Assessment in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Member, Central Ground Water Board, as per the recommendations of the 10th Meeting of National Interdepartmental Steering Committee (NISC) chaired by the Secretary (WR, RD & GR) has requested to merge existing State Ground Water Coordination Committee (SGWCC) and the State Level Committee (SLC) into a single committee as both have similar composition and deal with related activities.

4. Accordingly, the Director, Ground Water & Water Audit Department, Vijayawada in the reference 4th read above, has requested the Government to merge the above two Committees and to constitute a new State Level Committee for Ground Water Assessment and Management (SLCGWAM) for State of Andhra Pradesh with the Special Chief Secretary to Government, Water Resources Department as Chairman, the Regional Director, CGWB, SR,

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Hyderabad as Member-Secretary and 27 others as members along with combined Terms of Reference (ToR).

5. Government after careful examination of the request of the Member, Central Ground Water Board and the proposal of the Director, Ground Water & Water Audit Department, Vijayawada, hereby **constitute the State Level Committee for Ground Water Assessment and Management (SLCGWAM) for State of Andhra Pradesh** by merging the existing State Ground Water Coordination Committee (SGWCC) and the permanent State Level Committee (SLC) with the following members and Terms of Reference (ToR):-

1.	The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Water Resources Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Secretariat, Amaravathi.	Chairman
2.	Director, Ground water and Water Audit Department, Government of AP.	Member
3.	The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department, Government of AP.	Member
4.	The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department.	Member
5.	Commissioner, Municipal Administration Department, Government of AP.	Member
6.	Commissioner, Agriculture Department, Government of AP	Member
7.	The Engineer-in-Chief, Public Health & Engineering Department.	Member
8.	Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation Department	Member
9.	Commissioner, Department of Industries	Member
10.	General Manager, NABARD	Member
11.	The Commissioner, Command Area Development Department, Government of AP.	Member
12.	The Commissioner, Horticulture Department, Government of AP.	Member
13.	The Commissioner, Rural Development Department, Govt of AP., Vijayawada.	Member
14.	The Managing Director, State Irrigation Development Corporation Ltd., W.R. Dept., Govt. of AP., Vijayawada	Member
15.	The Director, Economics & Statistics, Govt. of AP., Vijayawada.	Member
16.	The Director, National Geophysical Research Institute, Govt. of India, Hyderabad.	Member
17.	The Chief Engineer, Hydrology, Water Resources Dept., Govt. of AP., Vijayawada.	Member
18.	The Chief Engineer, Operation & Rural Electrification AP, TRANSCO.	Member

19.	The nominee of Vice Chancellor, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam (from applied Geophysics/ Geology)	Member
20.	The nominee of Vice Chancellor, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati (from applied Geophysics/ Geology)	Member
21.	The Professor & Head, Civil Engineering Dept. (Water Resources Dept.) JNTU, Kakinada, AP.	Member
22.	The Professor & Head, Dept. of Agronomy, Acharya N.G.Ranga, Agricultural University, Govt. of AP, Guntur.	Member
23.	The Director General, AP, Space Application Center (APSAC), Govt. of AP.	Member
24.	The District Collector, NTR District. (on yearly rotation basis)	Member
25.	The District Collector, Anatapuramu District. (on yearly rotation basis)	Member
26.	The District Collector, Prakasam District. (on yearly rotation basis)	Member
27.	The Representation of BIRDS (NGO)	Member
28.	The Representation of WASAN (NGO)	Member
29.	Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board, SR, Hyderabad.	Member Secretary

6. **Terms of Reference (ToR)**:

i. Overall coordination for the implementation for the activities envisaged under Groundwater Resources Estimation and National Aquifer Mapping and Management (NAQUIM).
ii. To coordinate and data sharing for estimation of Groundwater Resources Assessment.
iii. To coordinate and ensure time bound data collection and data sharing from various State Government Organisations
iv. To suggest suitable modifications in the Aquifer maps and Aquifer Management plans for its implementation through participatory Ground Water Management (PGWM)
v. To suggest protocols for participatory Ground Water Management.(PGWM).
vi. To identify/ implement activities for convergence with MGNREGS and other schemes.

7. The Director, Ground Water & Water Audit Department, shall take necessary action.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director, Ground Water & Water Audit Department, Vijayawada.

The Member, Central Ground Water Board, Dept. of WR, RD & GR, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India, Faridabad.

All concerned members through the Director, Ground Water & Water Audit Department, Vijayawada.

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